Considerations for Supporting External Datasets

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“External” Data

- Non-EOSDIS data
  - International
  - Model output
- EOSDIS data from other DAACs
  - E.g., CERES, TES in Giovanni
  - Typically value-added service only provided

Support Considerations

- Synergy w/ current holdings
- Expected user community
  - Size of community
  - Overlap with current GES DISC community
- Required level of service
  - Economy: Store/Distribute
  - Basic: + Mirador Search
  - Enhanced: + Subset/Reformat
  - Full: + Giovanni
  - Value-Added Service Only
- Cost to Support
  - Based on level of service
- Political considerations
  - International agreements
  - Data restrictions
- ESDIS funding

Suggested UWG Recommendation Process

1. GES DISC assesses a proposed dataset against previous criteria
2. GES DISC prepares a short assessment presentation
3. Telecon with UWG to obtain a support recommendation: no, yes, or yes with contingencies
4. Alternative could be an email concurrence process